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## Clarksburg Municipal Building Commission Approved For Federal Funding To House Substation of Fire Department

**Morgantown, WV – May 30, 2006:** State Director Robert M. Steptoe, III today announced that **Rural Development** approved a Community Facilities Direct Loan in the amount of \$92,600 to Clarksburg Municipal Building Commission, Harrison County, WV.

Rural Development funds will be used for the acquisition and renovation of an existing building on Ohio Avenue to house the North View Substation of the Clarksburg Fire Department.

Steptoe stated, "Previous funding was provided by Rural Development in 2005, but due to cost overruns, an additional loan of \$92,600 is needed to help complete the project and provide critically needed public safety services in Clarksburg."

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